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TO: Resident Staff

FROM: S. Pete Worden, Ames Center Director

SUBJECT: Ames Personnel Lauded for Historic Preservation Efforts

The non-profit California Preservation Foundation (CPF) recently announced the recipients of its 2008 Preservation Design Awards. I am delighted to inform you that NASA Ames Research Center was recognized in the "Cultural Resources Studies and Reports" category.

Congratulations to Keith Venter, historic preservation officer, Code RCE, for his outstanding leadership and Tom Anderson, senior environmental compliance specialist, Integrated Science Solutions, Inc. Together with Rich Sucre, Page and Turnbull, San Francisco, they prepared the report on "Evaluation of Historic Resources Associated with the Space Shuttle Program at Ames Research Center." The Ames Environmental and History offices also provided important support that lead to this prestigious recognition. In announcing the award, CPF executive director Cindy Heitzman praised the team for its "exemplary contribution to the preservation of California's rich and diverse historic resources."

With the space shuttle program scheduled to end in 2010, NASA initiated an historical survey and evaluation of all agency facilities that have supported that program to determine their eligibility for the National Register of Historic places. The assessment was completed in compliance with relevant sections of the National Historic Preservation Act; the National Environmental Policy Act; Executive Order 11593, Protection and Enhancement of the Cultural Environment; Executive Order 13287, Preserve America; and other relevant legislation.

The award will be presented at a ceremony on Oct. 18, 2008, in Long Beach, Calif., aboard the Queen Mary. NASA Headquarters and Ames personnel will be in attendance to receive the award. Please join me in extending hearty congratulations to the entire team.